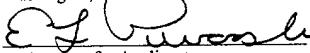


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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers Filing Date Granted (“Notice”) mailed on 28 December 2001 in the above-identified application having a two (2) month shortened statutory period for response.

Enclosed are the following:

1. a copy of the Transmittal Letter sent this date to The Official Draftsman Drawing Review Branch;
2. copies of five (5) sheets of formal drawings; and
3. a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

Also enclosed is a return postcard. Please date stamp and mail the postcard to acknowledge receipt of the above-mentioned correspondence.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0888. A copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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